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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

WELSH EXPRESS DASHES INTO A SLOW TRAIN.

FOURTEEN PERSONS KILLED.

LONDON, January 26.

Twenty persons were killed and many injured in a head-on collision between a local train from Montgomery and the coast express at Abermule on the Cambrian Railway.

LATER.

An official announcement states that fourteen persons were killed in the collision between Newtown and Abermule between the Aberystwyth and Manchester express and a local passenger train from Whitchurch to Aberystwyth. Eleven passengers, a driver, a fireman, and a guard were the victims.

HOW THE COLLISION OCCURRED.

LONDON, January 26.

A revised railway official report of the Welsh railway collision places the casualties at seven passengers and three railwaymen killed. The number injured has not yet been ascertained. The express was descending a steep gradient on a single line when it crashed into a local train which ought to have crossed at Abermule Station. There was a fearful impact in which the express suffered more seriously. The express engine was piled up above the slow train. Two first corridor carriages came off worst. The occupants were fatally injured. The driver and stoker of the slow train were killed. Otherwise, the passengers escaped with bruises. A curve in the line prevented the trains from seeing each other before the accident occurred.

LATER.

Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, uncle of Lord Londonderry, has succumbed to injuries at the Newton Infirmary sustained in the collision at Abermule.

LONDON, January 27.

Sixteen persons are dead and fourteen injured as the result of the Abermule collision.

SHIPPING DEPRESSION.

HOW STEAMER VALUES HAVE FALLEN.

VESSELS TO BE LAID UP.

LONDON, January 26.

The newly-elected President of the Swansea Chamber of Commerce stated that steamers worth £100,000 a year ago could now be obtained under £40,000. There were no buyers and it was quite impossible to build ships for such a price.

WASHINGTON, January 26.

The Shipping Board has authorised the withdrawal of an additional 122,000 deadweight tons of shipping from Atlantic, Gulf, and Pacific ports.

NEW YORK, January 26.

Owing to the depression in the shipping trade, the American Steamship Owners' Association has formally requested the Sailors and Firemen's Unions of the Atlantic and Gulf ports to accept a revision of the wages working agreements at the earliest practicable date by which it hopes to meet foreign competition and restore many idle ships to service.

"WHITE AUSTRALIA"

A QUESTION BRITAIN MUST ANSWER.

JAPANESE IN THE PACIFIC.

LONDON, January 26.

On the occasion of the 133rd anniversary of Australia's foundation day, Mr. Keith Murdoch, in an article in the Times, says that across the map of the British family of nations has suddenly come a black query mark demanding an answer. It is in effect how closely the Empire is going to hang together. He emphasises that Australia felt the Japanese absorption of the Marshall and Caroline Islands acutely during the war, yet she fought on Britain's side with all her strength. He says that strategically Australia lost in the war. The map of the Pacific changed to her disadvantage giving a possible foe plentiful harbours within three days sail of her coastline. So we come to a frank question whether Britain is as much prepared to maintain Australia's interests in the Pacific as Australia has proved herself prepared to defend interests in the Pacific as Australia has proved herself prepared to defend interests in Europe. The object of the policy of "White Australia" is not mere economic selfishness, but the sacred cause of racial purity. Therefore Australia demands a status quo in the Pacific guaranteed, if need be, by British guns. Will Britain, if the need be, build great ships? Will she fight for "White Australia"? Australians believe that the answer will be "yes," but the question is to be raised at the Imperial conference in June, perhaps not by Australia only. Now that the Dominions are acknowledged as free nations in the Empire it may well be that a written pact will be asked for.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

SUGGESTED AWARD TO AMERICAN RED CROSS.

HELSINGFORS, January 26.

The Finnish Government has unanimously decided to recommend the Nobel Committee to award the peace prize to the American Red Cross on the ground that its blessed activities materially relieved suffering during the war, served the purpose of humanity, and promoted mutual solidarity among the nations.

IMPERIAL SERVICES.

FIELD MARSHAL'S VIEWS ON REDUCING EXPENDITURE.

LONDON, January 26.

Field Marshal Sir William Robertson, in a speech in the City said that it was useless attempting to tinker with the question of the cost of the Imperial Services until Britain's world policy was settled, when the experts would say what force would be required. A standard policy and a comprehensive view of the whole question of Imperial defences were essential stages to any intelligent reduction of expenditure as regards the Imperial forces.

THE DOLLAR.

Today's closing rate 2 9 11/16
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CORRESPONDENCE.

MISSING THE POINT.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—In your leaderette, yesterday, regarding the demands made recently by the National Union of Journalists in London, I notice that you, perhaps unconsciously, belittle the efforts of the Union in standardising wages. I am sure, however, that if you consider that what the Union is trying to do is to prevent newspaper proprietors—particularly of the unscrupulous variety—from engaging men on less than a living wage whenever they find that qualified and experienced journalists demand payment commensurate with their work. Moreover, journalists, like others, have now advanced beyond the living wage ideal: they want more than their board-and-lodging and more leisure. Unless they make a determined stand against wage-cutting, as they are now doing through the National Union of Journalists, and also through the Institute of Journalists but by employing other methods, they have no chance of success in maintaining their position against newspaper-owners who know how to combine and secure the cheapest labour. In the Union's schemes it is not only the brilliant journalist who counts but also those whose light, by the very nature of their work, is hidden under a bushel, but whose work at the same time, is as vital to the smooth working of a newspaper as of their more fortunate colleagues in the limelight. The Union does not desire to lower the rates of pay of men who can demand their own rates and get them, but even these men of sterling merit stand to gain by the improvement of the conditions of life of journalists less gifted than themselves. Whether the rates of pay which the Union demanded or the means which it employed in making known its demands were reasonable or unreasonable it is not for me to say. If it is for the good of journalism that the men engaged in it should be from the working class of how to meet the weekly rent bill, then the Union is right in asking that the rate of remuneration should be more than is paid, say, to a dustman. (The dustman, by the way, is equally entitled to something more than a living wage, if he is to be a good dustman.) Why there should be such a hubbub over the standardisation of wages in journalism it is rather difficult to understand. The doctors have their fees and so have the lawyers. They do not, therefore, become "jam-factory" lawyers or doctors. The specialist still gets his princely fees. Lord Northcliffe would hesitate to offer the specialist he called in to attend to his inside one-tenth of his usual fee, or to call him a "jam-factory" specialist if he bluntly refused to accept it. —Yours, etc.,

MEMBER N.U.J.

Hongkong, January 26.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL WAR MEMORIAL

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—According to the order of ceremonial for Sunday next, which is already in the printer's hands, provision is made for ex-members of His Majesty's Forces, irrespective of distinctions of rank, to join in the procession which will leave St. John's Cathedral for the Memorial Cross after the first part of the service. As far as possible seats will be reserved for all ex-service men who send in their names to Brigadier-General E. B. Macnaghten, B.A.T. Co. The service begins at 10.30 a.m.

In the notice which appeared in the local Press on Monday last regarding accommodation for ex-officers, General Macnaghten's aim was to assist the Cathedral authorities in ascertaining the number of seats required.

It is regretted that this notice referred to ex-officers only, thereby making a distinction which neither he nor the Cathedral authorities intended to convey.—Yours faithfully,

H. COPLEY MOYLE,

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In the course of a series of articles
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Eastern Review* says:—Hongkong has been called the gate-
way of the Far East, because every
ship which comes into the China Sea
passes through its magnificent har-
bour. It was one of the early govern-
ments of the Colony who told the local
merchants that they could only regard
the place as a sort of "bonded ware-
house" where they might deposit
their goods. While industries have
and still are springing up, and the
industrial future of Hongkong is very
bright, yet the central fact of the local
world of commerce, the central fact
of everything in the Colony is ship-
ping, and with this shipbuilding.Shipping and shipbuilding constitute
the life blood of the Colony, as was
fully set out in *The Far Eastern Review*,
February, 1919.The year 1857 marks the com-
mencement of what is to-day Hong-
kong's greatest industry—ship-repairing
and shipbuilding—for in that year
the Colony's first dock was established
at Aberdeen by Mr. Douglas Lap-
raik and Captain J. Lamont. To-day
the three large dockyards—one at
Kowloon and two on the island—
employ some thousands of natives and
a large number of Europeans. Ocean-
going steamers have been and are still
being built there, engines and hulls,
and there is also a good deal of ship
repairing for lines travelling all over
the Far East.In 1856 the dock owned by Mr.
Couper (formerly of the P. & O.
service) at Whampoa was more or less
destroyed and Couper was captured
and disappeared. His son, who was
indemnified to the amount of
\$120,000, then rebuilt the dock and
eventually sold it to what has since
become the Hongkong and Whampoa
Dock Company. This Company was
established in 1863. A few years
later it absorbed the dockyard enter-
prise at Aberdeen and has been steadily
growing ever since. The original
founders were Mr. James Whittall of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.;
Mr. (now Sir) Thomas Sutherland,
whose name is well known to this
generation on account of its long
association with the P. & O. Co.,
from the chairmanship of which he
retired some time ago; and Mr. Dou-
glas Lapraik. The Company was
formed with a capital of \$240,000.
This has been increased until it now
stands at \$3,000,000.In the early days the shipyard at
Whampoa was a most important estab-
lishment. From 1866-69 all the large
ships of the English and French mail
companies were docked there, but,
finally, the shipyard was sold to the
Chinese and European ships were
henceforth excluded. In 1875 the
shares of the company stood at 60 per
cent. discount and the dividends were
most unsatisfactory. This position of
the company was attributed in a large
measure to the competition of the
Cosmopolitan Dock and of a rival
establishment owned by Captain
Sands. In 1879 and 1880 these en-
terprises were absorbed and the posi-
tion of the company improved con-
siderably. In 1880, also, the Ad-
miralty, becoming anxious about thejacking facilities of their warships on
the China Station, gave the company
a subsidy of £25,000 toward the cost
of building a large new dock, on the
condition that the warships should
have the right of priority of entrance
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dock was completed in 1888 and the
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slipways. All classes of construc-
tional and general engineering work
are also undertaken.The rapid handling of repairs has
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dockyard is capable of executing such
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and free manoeuvring of ships prior to
docking, being well clear of any con-
gestion of shipping in the harbour,
and with an entrance free from all
strong currents.Its dimensions are:—
787-ft. 0-in. Extreme Length.
88-ft. 0-in. Width of Entrance at
top.

750-ft. 0-in. on the Blocks.

81-ft. 0-in. Width of Entrance at
bottom.

120-ft. 0-in. Width at Coping.

34-ft. 6-in. Depth of Water over
centre of Sill at H.W.O.S.T.

77-ft. 6-in. Width at Bottom.

31-ft. 0-in. Depth of Water over
sides of Sill at H.W.O.S.T.The centre of the sill is 4-ft. 0-in.
above the bottom of the dock.The caisson is of the box sliding
type, weighs 400 tons, is electrically
driven, and can be hauled across the
sill to its chamber in 4½ minutes.The dock can be filled in 45
minutes, and the pumping plant con-
sists of two powerful centrifugal
pumps, which are together capable of
pumping out the dock, without any
vessel in it, and with 34-ft. 6-in.
depth of water on the sill, in less
than three hours.Railway tracks run on both sides
of the dock, with travelling cranes up
to 20 tons' lifting capacity.

SLIPWAYS.

No. 1 Slipway.—1,030-ft. long by
80-ft. wide, length of cradle 270-ft.—is capable of taking up steamers
325-ft. long, drawing 18-ft., and of
3,000 tons displacement. Such a
vessel can be hauled up in about 45
minutes—smaller steamers in pro-
portionately less time.Draft on keel blocks at
H.W.O.S.T., 15-ft. 4-in. forward,
25-ft. 0-in. aft.Depth of water at entrance 28-ft.
6-in. H.W.O.S.T.Length of slip above high water,
437-ft. 0-in. on rail level.Length of slip above low water,
593-ft. 0-in. on rail level.No. 2 and No. 3 Slipways. Each
993-ft. long by 60-ft. wide, length
of cradle, 250-ft.—are each capable
of taking steamers 300-ft. long, draw-
ing 17-ft. and of 2,000 tons displace-
ment. Such a vessel can be hauled
up in 30 minutes.Draft on keel blocks at
H.W.O.S.T., 15-ft. 6-in. forward,
24-ft. 0-in. aft.Depth of water at entrance, 27-ft.
6-in. H.W.O.S.T.Length of slip above high water,
405-ft. 0-in. on rail level.Length of slip above low water,
561-ft. 0-in. on rail level.The cradles of all three slipways are
of Morton's patent type, with swing-
ing bilge arms, and are hauled by wire
cables, which work on drums electrically
driven, the hauling gear being
operated by two sets of electric
motors of 225 B.H.P. each.The cable for the No. 1 slipway is
134-in. circumference, while the No.
2 and No. 3 slipways cables are each
12-in. circumference.Steel pierheads give a fair lead to
ships entering all three slips.Motive Power.—The motive power
for the whole establishment is sup-
plied from a central electric station,
the generators being driven by gas
engines of the Cockerill-Wesgarth
type (3,000 collective horse-power)
fed by Mond gas supplied from four
producers.Building Yard.—The building slips
cover an area measuring 550-ft. long
by 500-ft. wide, and are fully equip-
ped for every description of construc-
tional work.Conveniently grouped round the
building yard are the platers' shops
and sheds, moulding lofts, carpenters'
and joiners' shops, saw mill, etc.,
etc.Main Workshops.—The main work-
shops which are equipped with the
latest type of machinery and tools for
dealing with all classes of work, and
are also fitted with electric overhead
travelling cranes up to 100 tons cap-
acity, cover over five acres of ground,
and comprise boiler shops, erecting
shops, heavy and light machine shops,
forge and smithies, iron and brass
foundries, coppersmiths' shop, etc.The machine shops and boiler shop
are supplied with machines of the
heaviest description, capable of turn-
ing out work of the largest class.The boiler machinery is capable of
dealing with plates 30-ft. long, 13-ft.
wide, and up to 2-in. thick. Boiler
repairs and any other work of a like
nature can be carried out by means
of electric welding and oxy-acetylene
processes by experienced workmen.The forge and smithy, in addition
to the small power hammers for ordi-
nary smithy purposes, are supplied
with a gas forging furnace and an
8,000 tons hydraulic forging press,
for work up to 3-ft. in diameter,
while the foundry can turn out cast-
ings up to about 25 tons.Quay Wall.—The quay wall, built
of concrete blocks, is 3,200-ft. long.
For the greater part of its length there
is 40-ft. depth of water H.W.O.S.T.,
enabling ships of any size to berth
alongside when required at all states
of the tide.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.
(For Account of the Concerned)

FRIDAY,

January 28, 1921, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
Sundry Household Furniture, ac.
Eleven Bales Paper.
Miscellaneous Goods.
Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 25, 1921.

(For account of the concerned)

SATURDAY,

January 29, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
About sixty lots of valuable
Jewellery.

Comprising:—

Single stone diamond rings, brooches,
bracelets, scarf pins, etc., etc.

ALSO—without reserve Silver
Watch, Rolled Gold Watches, Chain
Bag, Watch Guards, and 18 carat Gold
Gem Rings.

On view Friday afternoon.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 18, 1921.

(For Account of the Concerned)

SATURDAY,

January 29, 1921, at 11 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street,
A few Woollen Tweed Suit
lengths superior quality in
3 1/2 yard lengths.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 24, 1921.

(For Account of the Concerned)

TUESDAY,

February 1, 1921, commencing at
2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNI-
TURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN
BEDSTEADS, BRASS-MOUNTED
BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,

comprising:—

Chesterfield sofas, Arm-chairs (osw),
Folding Card and Occasional Tables, One
Upholstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture
comprising Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes,
Dressing Tables, and Chairs, Wash-
stands, etc., (mixed Teakwood), Side-
boards, Dinner Wagon, Extension Din-
ing Tables and Chairs, etc., Dinner
Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware,
Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, etc., Bath
Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,
Electric Bedding Lamps, Teakwood
Screens, Sundry Blackwood Furniture,
Slide Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures,
etc.

Also

Several lots Tennis Balls, One Royal
Superb (English made)
Bicycle 3 Speed Gear.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 25, 1921.

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell at their Sales
Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street,
Encyclopaedia Britannica in
(29 Vols.)

Eleventh Edition, with case.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 3, 1921.

WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS & INSERTIONS, \$1. PREPAID.

Each additional word & Cents for 3 insertions.

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STEWARDS for Steamer proceed-
ing to LIVERPOOL, middle of
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only need apply. Box 1254, c/o "China
Mail."

WANTED.—To RENT or BUY
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TION—A FEW THREE ROOM-
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Apply J. CARR CLARK, Architect and
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A FIVE ROOMED HOUSE, with
Bath-room and Servants' Quarters.
Suitable for Office or private residence.
Rent moderate. Apply to the Compro-
dore Department, HOLLAND CANAL
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INTIMATIONS

S.S. "LIEN SHING."

NOTICE.

THE HULL CO-INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION to whom as
underwriters of the Hull of the above
Steamship the wreck (now lying in
about 20 fathoms near Cape Varella)
has been abandoned HEREBY GIVES
NOTICE that such wreck will be
offered For Sale by AUCTION at
12 o'clock (noon) on the 28th day of
January, 1921, by Messrs. LAMBERT
BROS. at their Sales Rooms in Hong-
kong. Such cargo, as may remain in
the wreck will be sold at the same
time, the proceeds of Hull and Cargo
being kept separate. Any persons or
corporations having any claims in
respect of the proceeds of the cargo
are required to send notice thereof to
Messrs. LAMBERT BROS. before the
24th day of February, 1921.
Hongkong, January 7, 1921.

WANTED.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF
YELLOW RIVER BRIDGE FOR
PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

THE PEKING-HANKOW LINE OF
THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT
RAILWAYS invites sealed proposals of
bridge contractors for designing and
building a new steel bridge about 2,800
meters in length across the Yellow River
(Hwang-Ho). Proposals will be received
up to noon of June 30th, 1921, at
the office of Peking-Hankow Railway,
Peking, China, plans, rules and
specifications can be obtained from the
following offices:—

Peking: Peking-Hankow Railway,
American, British, Belgian, French,
Italian, and Japanese Legations.
Foreign: Chinese Legations, Wash-
ington, London, Brussels, Paris, Rome
and Tokyo.

All applications for same must be
accompanied with pounds 6 for foreign
countries and with dollars 30 for
Peking.

PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY
ADMINISTRATION.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
a GENERAL MEETING of the
Members of the above Club will be
held at the CITY HALL, HONGKONG, on
TUESDAY, the 1st of February, 1921,
at 5.30 P.M. to consider the question of
admitting Ladies as Members &/or
Subscribers to the Club.

Should there be a majority of three-
fourths (or approximately so) in favour
Extraordinary General Meetings will be
called to pass and confirm resolu-
tions making the necessary alterations
to the Articles of Association.

By Order,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 21, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction
(For account of the concerned),
or

TUESDAY,

February 1, 1921, commencing at 2.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
An Assortment of
Household Linens, &c.,

Comprising:—

Fillow Cases, Fine quality Blankets,
White Satin Quilts, Bed Valances,
Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Towels,
Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed
Sheets, Drawnwork Bedspreads, Table
Covers, Crochet and Drawnwork Dollies,
Linen Damask Serviettes.

Also

A few lots of Bellow Valices and Suit
Cases.

Three Pairs Binoculars, &c.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, January 15, 1921.

NOTICES.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING
CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in this Company will be
held at the Offices of Messrs. JAMES
MATTHESON & CO., Ltd., on FRIDAY,
28th January, 1921, at 11.30 a.m., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with the State-
ment of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from WED-
NESDAY, 19th January to FRIDAY,
28th January both days inclusive
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary
to the General Agents.
Hongkong, January 12, 1921.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the SEVENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in this Company will be
held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE,
MATTHESON & CO., Ltd., on FRIDAY,
28th January, 1921, at 11.30 a.m., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with the State-
ment of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from WED-
NESDAY, January 19th to FRIDAY,
January 28th both days inclusive
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary
to the General Manager.
Hongkong, January 12, 1921.

THE HONGKONG LAND
RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the TWENTY-FIFTH ORDIN-
ARY GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in this Company will be
held at the Offices of Messrs.
JAMES MATTHESON & CO., Ltd., on
FRIDAY, January 28th, 1921, at 11.30
a.m., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with
the Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from WED-
NESDAY, January 19th to FRIDAY,
January 28th both days inclusive
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 12, 1921.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON &
MACAO STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST
ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be
held at the Offices of the Company,
Hotel Mansions, on MONDAY, 7th
February, 1921, at 11 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving a Report of the Di-
rectors, together with a Statement of
Accounts, declaring a Dividend and
electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from 25th
January to 7th February, 1921, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 12, 1921.

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE
THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC
OF CHINA, (1914) \$16,000,000 AND
SUPPLEMENTARY ISSUE OF
\$8,000,000

AND

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE
FOURTH YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC
OF CHINA, (1915) \$24,000,000.

On the 6th June, 1917, the under-
signed notified Subscribers to the
above two loans that in pursuance of
arrangements made with the Chinese
Government, the loan service as re-
gards interest payments would in
future be adequately secured.

In regard to the redemption of the
loans it was impossible at the time
to make any announcement. The
Moratorium of 1916 affected the
Loan Service, and, although drawings
have been proceeded with as funds
permitted, Redemption has been
irregular, and behind the scheduled
dates.

Arrangements have now been
made which will enable annual draw-
ings of each loan to be undertaken
until their "extinction." In 1924 in the
case of the 4th Year Loan and 1925
in the case of the 3rd Year Loan.

The Ministry of Finance will notify
in due course the date of the draw-
ings to take place this year with date
and place of repayment.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs,
Inspectorate General of Customs,
PEKING, 14th January, 1921.

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

THE SHAREHOLDERS of the
BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE
are hereby informed that an interim
dividend of Frs. 200.- per share will be
paid from February 1st, 1921, on pre-
sentation of their certificates at the
Head Office, in Paris, and at any of its
agencies.
Hongkong, January 21, 1921.

WAR MEMORIAL.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

FOR the erection by Public Sub-
scription, of a building to be
run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called the
WAR MEMORIAL INSTITUTE
and to be managed for the joint use
of the Navy, the Army and Civilians
by a Joint Board of Directors.
A portion of the sum raised will be
devoted to the erection of a
permanent stone memorial which
will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at:—

Messrs. Lane Crawford.
" Kelly & Walsh.
" Montrie.
" Wm. Powell, Ltd.
The Hongkong Club.
" Hongkong Cricket Club.
" Club Lancers.
" Engineers' Institute.
" Victoria Recreation Club.
" Kowloon Cricket Club.
" Kowloon Bowling Club.
" Peak Club.
" Club de Recreation.
" Craigflower Club.

M. J. BREEN.

Hon. Secretary,
War Memorial Committee.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

RACE WEEK.

DINNER DANCES will be held on
the following dates:—

WEDNESDAY, 23rd February, 1921.

SATURDAY, 26th February, 1921.

DERBY DAY.

THURSDAY, 24th February, 1921.

FANCY DRESS BALL AND SUPPER
(Fancy Dress optional)

Tickets \$5.—per head including Supper
and Refreshments.

(In view of the fact that the accom-
modation will be limited, and in order
to avoid overcrowding, intending
patrons are advised to book early.)

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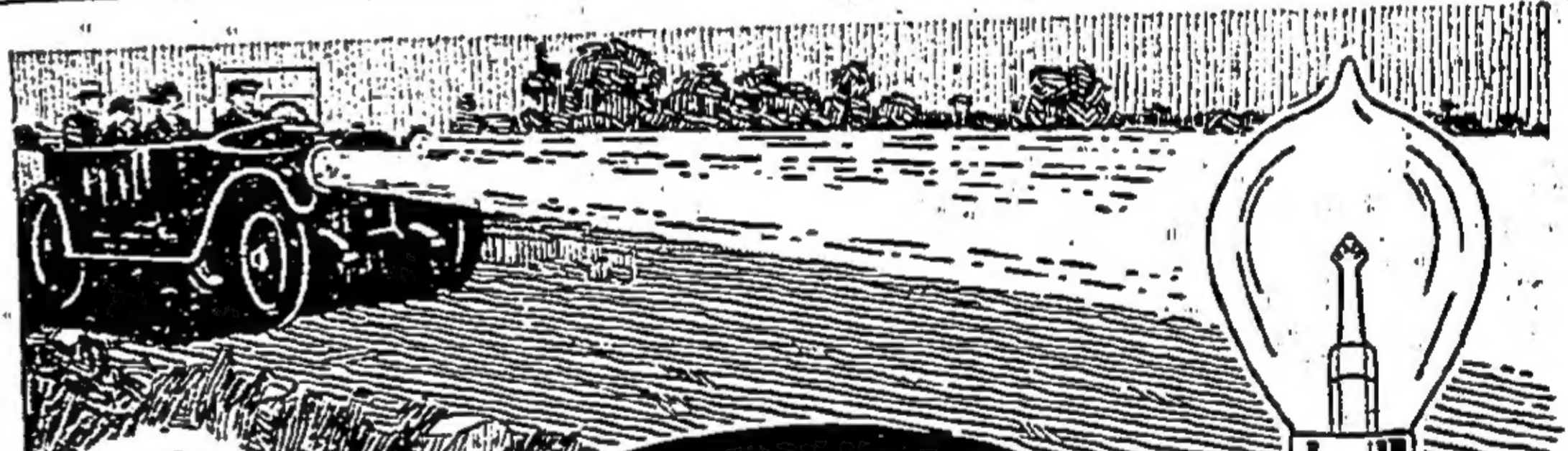
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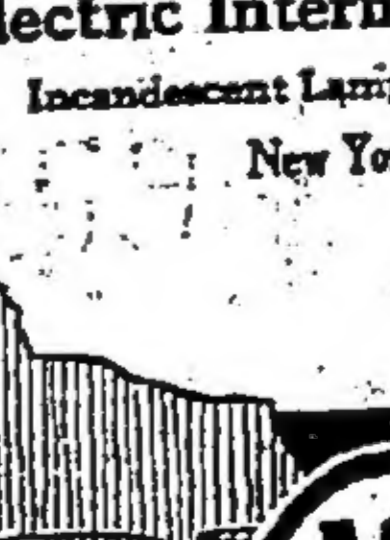
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BIRTH.

ELSON.—At the French Convent
Hospital, Causeway Bay, on
January 26, to Mr. and Mrs.
William T. Elson, a son.

MARRIAGE.

BOYD-SHIRE.—At St. John's
Cathedral, Hongkong, on
Wednesday, Jan. 26, James
Boyd, Chartered Bank of India,
Australia and China, Hongkong,
to Mabel Shires, daughter of the
late John Shires and of Mrs.
Shires, Leeds.

DEATH.

BURNETT.—At St. Paul's Hospital,
on January 26, 1921, Battricia
(Burt) Cade, beloved daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C.
Burnett, age 3 years and 9
months. Funeral will pass the
Monument at 3.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.
HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JAN. 27, 1921.

QUEER PREMISES AND PROBLEMS.

A newspaper item tells us that
a boy born in Bombay of Hindu
parents had two heads and three
arms and three legs. He died soon
after birth. Let us on no account
be tempted to mourn the death of
this boy. His superfluous limbs
would almost certainly have handi-
capped him in life's race, especially
now that India is trying to oust its
paternal government. There may
be truth, speaking generally, in
the common belief that "two
heads are better than one," but we
find ourselves instinctively doubt-

ing it when the two heads are on
one boy. Is it possible, however,
that the habitual carelessness of
newspaper scribblers can be mislead-
ing us here? Did this reporter take
due care to have his premises right,
and unquestionably true? Was this
unusual birth a case of one boy
with a superfluity of limbs, or was
it a case of twins with a deficiency?
Twins are not uncommon. We
have not read that Bombay is im-
mune. Might this not have been the
twins with an arm and a leg, and
perhaps a torso, short of the num-
ber proper to twins? Doubtless
the originating reporter is con-
vinced that the torso is the grav-
amen (so to speak) of the human
unit, and referred to this as a boy
because he could not see two separate
bodies. Three legs did not
make him doubt. Three arms did
not shake his confidence in his own
eyes. He may have been right, of
course, but also he may have been
wrong. Hidden in the thing he
saw as one body may have been
two hearts, with duplication of
other organs. It is admitted that
there were two heads, which im-
plies two brains and therefore, had
he or they survived, two minds and
two consciousnesses, and two centres
of control for reflexes. It is plain
that this reporter regarded this
phenomenon as simply as bygone
humorists regarded the French
chichivache that fed on
good women and was consequently
all skin and bone, and that he has
left us in a state of horrid uncer-
tainty. His chimera offers more
problems than he in his simplicity
ever dreamed of. Our mental tor-
ture is mitigated only by the re-
flection that as the boy (or boys)
are not living, we may dismiss our
speculations if we like, and do our
best to forget them. It is, how-
ever, one of those unpleasantly
fascinating problems that are hardest
to dismiss. Two heads, two brains,
two pairs of eyes. Had he for
them lived, they would have re-
quired two newspapers to read, and

might, holding different opinions,
have insisted on opposing papers.
This could not have tended to
bodily contentment. Then there
is the problem of the soul (or souls)
to be saved. Suppose that the
mind in one head had inclined to
Presbyterianism and the other to
Christian Science—however, being
physically inseparable, would they
have managed that spiritual draw-
ing apart which would have seem-
ed so necessary on Sundays? The
question of diet comes in. One
might have had alcoholic leanings,
and the other Passyfoot views, but
even that would be nothing to the
problem of eating. One body they
presumably had, the meat of the one
could not have poisoned the other;
but with two mouths to do the eat-
ing, and two minds to acquire pre-
judices, the matter of appetite, of
like and dislike, must have raised
serious disharmony. We follow in
thought his tor for growth to
adulthood, and the time of sweet-
heating. Would the two heads
kiss the same girl, or two girls
have to be satisfied with one? But
now you see where this Indian re-
porter has put us with his torment-
ing news item. We abandon it
here and now, and will do our best
to dismiss it from our minds. We
wish we had never read the horrid
item.

PENSIONS AND LEAVE.

In reply to our notes on Mon-
day a private correspondent agrees
against our view that 35 is a fair
pensionable age for Hongkong.
He says that the Hongkong police
may retire at 45 years of age, a
thing we did not know, and he
asks us to compare the number of
police who have actually taken
their pension with the number of
those who have been taken to
Happy Valley. We believe he is
right in suggesting that these num-
bers are terribly disparate. But
then, a policeman's job is a dan-
gerous one, and his conditions un-
healthy. We were thinking more
of the other civil servants when
we wrote of Hongkong's healthy
climate—those whose work is com-
paratively easy and done in com-
fortable conditions.

Does not the police pension de-
pend on length of service rather
than on age? If so, we should
agree that a much shorter service
should entitle them to pension than
in some other branches of the Civil
Service. Yet their is not the only
fatal job. Do Sanitary Inspectors,
for instance, live long here? If
they do, we wonder how they do it.

Soldiers are pensionable after 21
years' service, which is a long time,
but usually half at least will be
served at home. However, there
is nothing to be gained by argu-
ing this point, as the thing is prob-
ably settled. We would rather
focus public attention on the state-
ment that civil servants joining up
for the war were promised that
their time at the front would not
affect their rights to leave, and that
this promise is not being kept. We
hope one of our unofficial members
will tackle this matter in Council.
It looks so bad, and is so very
unfair.

NEWSPAPER AT SEA.

"CAP FINISTERRE" TIMES.

ENTERTAINING NUMBER.

The passengers, on the big liner
"Cap Finisterre," the former German
vessel which arrived the other day
from home on her first voyage under
the Japanese flag, amused themselves
in a variety of ways on the trip out.
One way by the publication of
the *Cap Finisterre Times*, a four-page
newspaper.

Judging by the cheerful tone of the
publication and the numerous diver-
sions to which it refers, everybody
must have had a jolly time. There
seemed to be a continuous programme
of amusements, including cricket
matches, Tag-of-War contests, con-
certs, races, a big Fancy Dress Ball,
and—last but not least—the thrilling
murder trial held for the purpose of
endeavouring to establish respon-
sibility for the death of Flossie Finis-
terre, the cat that was found in the
swimming bath.

The *Cap Finisterre Times* contains
a lot of amusing gossip and social
chat and "snappy snippets." It has
also some advertisements. The young
man in Cabin 451, "Scottie and good
looking" wanted a young lady with
whom to take walks on the boat deck.
Miss N.Y.K., "Young, pretty, affec-
tionate," desired a suitable com-
panion, male preferred; a "grass
widow" wanted a "talkative male
companion"; and "Burlington Bill,"
in the fore'sle, sought a "top hat."
Finally, the advertisement of
Miss T. T. Stewardess, who asks
"Anyone want a good wife, who can
sew buttons on, mend tears, &c.?" No
offer necessarily rejected.

The "Cap Finisterre" is being
operated by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha
as agents for the Japanese Govern-
ment. She is a sister ship of the
"Cap Trafalgar," sunk by the "Car-
mania" during the war.

SPECIAL CABLE

STRAITS INCOME TAX.

IMPOSED AGAIN.

(China Mail Special.)

SINGAPORE, Jan. 26.
The Straits Government has again
imposed income tax for the ensuing
year.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The marriage arranged between
John Bailey, I.B.M. Vice-Consul at
Bangkok, and Eileen, daughter of
Brig-General R. C. Stevenson, and
Mrs. Stevenson, will take place in
Rangoon at the end of January.

The manager of the Hankow
Branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank
has forwarded a cheque for \$3,809.60
to the Hankow International Famine
Relief Committee, being the sum
subscribed to that cause by the Jap-
anese members of Hankow.

Mr. T. M. Ainscough, British
Senior Trade Commissioner in India
and Ceylon, and well known to in-
dustrial and commercial circles in
the Far East, has completed his visit
to Great Britain and left London on
November 25 en route for Bombay.

Among the Chinese New Year
police orders issued within the last
few days in Canton, was one prohib-
iting the sale and use of toy torpedoes
and other dangerous articles and
another forbidding the playing of
cards and all forms of amusements
allied to gambling.

The twenty British aviation in-
structors engaged by the Naval Avia-
tion Corps of Japan are expected to
arrive in April, bringing a number
of aeroplanes from England with
them, according to the Chongai Work
is going on steadily at Kasumigaura,
where a new field is being prepared
for the British flyers.

Owing to circumstances con-
nected with other engagements, the
visit of General Branwell Booth,
head of the Salvation Army, to
Japan has been postponed for a few
months. The General will be here
during October and November, this
year, instead of during March and
April, as had been announced.

Shanghai papers announce the
death of Mr. A. Stewart, which oc-
curred at Hankow. Mr. Stewart was
a member of the staff of the En-
gineering Department of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson and Co., Ltd., and was in
charge of the Engineering Depart-
ment of his firm at Hankow. Deceased
was well-known in Shanghai and was
formerly in charge of the En-
gineering Department of Messrs.
Samuel and Co.

The strange charge of having
stolen a bunch of keys and 29 cop-
per cents from a dead man was made
against a coolie in Shanghai.
It appeared that a man fell dead
outside a tea house in Kaifeng
Road, and accused had just
finished searching the pockets of
deceased when a detective came up.
The coolie had an ingenious defence.
It was suggested to him by a cus-
tomer in the tea house, he said, that
he should "do the deceased a
friendly turn" by purchasing some
joss paper and burning it for him.
He was just seeing what funds
deceased had available for this pur-
pose, when the detective came up
and arrested him.—Dismissed with
a caution.

In view of the emphasis recently
given to the darker side of life in
Limehouse, it should be pointed out
that the best Chinese opinion is as
strongly opposed to the drug traffic
carried on by some of the Chinese
inhabitants of Limehouse as are
British people. Chinese students
in London have themselves
established an evening school in
Limehouse for Anglo-Chinese
children. Here the children are
taught Chinese character writing and
the history and geography of China.
Most of the children express a keen
desire to go to China when they are
grown up. The Chinese Committee
have secured as teacher for this
school a lady missionary returned
from China. It is stated that after
two years of congestion owing to
shipping difficulties many hundreds
of Chinese seamen have departed in
the last two months.

OBITUARY.

MR. D. M. MICKLE.

The news of the death of Mr. D.
M. Mickle, a constructional engineer
in the service of the Standard Oil
Company of New York, has been
received with great regret. Mr.
Mickle was attached to the Hongkong
office of the Company. He died at
sea on board the steamer "Japan"
on Monday.

Mr. Mickle had resided in the Colony
for a number of years and had
a wide acquaintance. For the
last two or three years he had been
carrying on work for the Company
in the Straits Settlements. His home
was at Hollysprings, Mississippi, and
he joined the firm in 1906. He was
about 59 years of age.

THEATRE ROYAL.

DENNISTON PLAYERS.

"NIGHTIE NIGHT."

An aerated farce, full of soap
and bubbles—this is "Nightie
Night," which the Denniston
Players presented at the Theatre
Royal last night before an audience
that was kept busy laughing
from the time the curtain went up
until it fell at the conclusion of the last
act. The Denniston Players are cap-
able players, and they understand
the art of presenting farces, which
consists largely of keeping the action
going at top speed. This was the
way things went in "Nightie Night."
It fairly took one's breath away try-
ing to keep up with events.

The story is one of those light
affairs that gather complications as
they go along, and to tell in full
would require a small-sized volume.
It revolves principally about the
dashing Tricxie Lorraine, an
actress. The play opens on
a Pullman car. Billy Moffat,
who some time before, had been
in love with Tricxie, and now is
happily married to another estimable

young lady, meets Tricxie on the
train. She tells him that she had
married his friend Jimmie Blythe
that morning. They had loved each
other as youngsters, but Jimmie had
gone off to South America. In his
absence, she had married another
become the mother of a boy, and
then a widow. Her marriage to
Jimmie had been a rush affair,
and she had had no chance of telling
him of her previous marriage
until after the ceremony. When she
mentioned it, afterwards, he had
dashed out of the hotel in a rage.
It was characteristic of Jimmie that
he was highly impetuous. Tricxie
had countered by taking her bag and
catching the first train for New York.
Incidentally, Jimmie had known her
only as Angelina Bailey, and had no
idea that she was Tricxie Lorraine.

Billy promises to do what he can
to help her straighten out her angle
with her new husband. He returns
to his flat in New York. Contem-
plating a trip to California with his
wife, he arranges to sublet the flat
during their absence. Along
comes Tricxie, not knowing that it is
Billy's flat, and engages it. Not
only that, but she moves into a
vacant room in the flat, while await-
ing their departure. It is not until
then that Billy discovers her presence.
The complications begin to grow
serious when Jimmy arrives, fran-
tically searching for his missing
wife. From this point on the play
is a rapid-fire succession of embar-
rassing moments, that end only in a
properly happy termination just as
the final curtain descends.

The players all were excellently
cast, and presented the farce most
entertainingly. Miss Warda Howard
was all that could be desired as the
sparkling Tricxie, and Miss Florence
Chapman was completely successful
as Mollie Moffat, Billy's charming
wife, who was alternately jealous and
forgiving. Miss Valentine Sidney
was splendid as Norah, the maid.
Mr. Leo Kennedy played the part of
Billy Moffat and did it excellently.
Mr. David Belbridge as Philip Burton
also was very pleasing in his part.
The company will produce "The
Lion and the Mouse" tonight.

MIROVA AND PODOLSKY.

CITY HALL CONCERT.

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

The great success which Miss Vera
Mirova, the Russian dancer, and Mr.
Leo Podolsky, the pianist, attained at
their initial performance in the Colony
recently was repeated yesterday
evening at the City Hall, when they
gave a new programme that was re-
ceived enthusiastically. Both per-
formers demonstrated again their
possession of talent that places them
in the front rank of the artists of the
day.

Mr. Podolsky's playing was con-
sistently brilliant in the selections of
the many varied types represented in
his programme, including as it did
the works of Chopin, Debussy,
Medtner, Strauss-Schutt, and a Bach-
Liszt arrangement, "Lamentations
and Crucifix." This was admirably
done. So, as a matter of fact, were
all his offerings. Especially pleasing
were Chopin's "Nocturne" and
"Polonaise." Mr. Podolsky is
particularly skilful in playing
pieces of the lighter type, and
"The Lyric Page" and "The Fairy
Tale" were most charming.

Miss Mirova confirmed the deep
impression she had made on the
lovers of classic dancing in the
Colony, by her delightful interpreta-
tions of "Paderewski's 'Minuet,'"
Grieg's "Anitra's Dance," from the
Peer Gynt Suite, Chopin's "Valse,"
Dvorak's "Humoresque" and
Godard's "Mazurka." She is at
her best in pieces which give occasion
for a demonstration of the grace of
her arms and shoulders, and her
dances which brought her this oppor-
tunity were indeed exquisite.

CRIMINAL SESSION.

CARGO PILFERING CASE.

SECOND DEFENDANT TRIED.

The trial of Lai Lai, ship's tallyman,
one of the defendants in the Holt's
Wharf Cargo pilfering case, took place
this morning at the Criminal Session
before the Acting Chief Justice Mr.
Justice Gompertz.

At the outset preparations were
made to try the cases of Lai Lai,
and Li Ming, the third defendant,
together. Both were charged
on two counts, for the theft of
four cases of piece goods and
three bales of blankets. Li Ming
was charged on the additional count
of receiving stolen goods.

Mr. Wakeman, Crown Solicitor,
prosecuted; Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared
for the defendant Li Ming.
Mr. Jenkin objected to the two
men being tried together, and asked
that separate trials be held. It
developed that owing to a misunder-
standing, the Crown thought Mr.
Jenkin had waived objection to the
trials going on together. His Lord-
ship directed that the two men be
tried separately. The trial of Lai
Lai proceeded; that of Li Ming was
postponed until 2.15 p.m. to-day.

The following jury was empanelled:
E. G. Smith, O. R. Benson, J. F.
Smirk, H. Dreyer, J. Sloan, L. J.
Davis, H. Davis.

Mr. Wakeman, outlining the case,
described the process of unloading a
ship at Holts Wharf. Before the
ship arrives a list is made out in a
check book of the goods expected and
handed to the godown keeper. The
No. 1 tallyman, in this case Lai
Lai, is in charge of the tallymen.

As the cargo is unloaded, it is
checked off on the sheets and when
completed, the sheets are collected by
the No. 1 tallyman. As the goods
are taken into the godown they are
called out and marked off in the
check book.

The book submitted in this case
shows there were expected to arrive
a number of cases of piece goods,
and bales of blankets of distinct-
ive markings. It was Lai Lai's
duty to collect the various tally
sheets and hand them over to the
office. The unloading of the
ship took several days. On the 28th
of December the manager of Holts
Wharf, on information he had re-
ceived, sent for all the books con-
cerning the "Rhesus." He saw that
certain marks in the book and on
the tally sheets did not cor-
respond, and that certain marks
in the check books appeared to have
been erased. A witness, Ko Yu,
would tell that Lai Lai proposed to
take some of the goods, and conceal
the theft by manipulation of the
marks.

Mr. Charles Butler Riggs, Wharf
manager of Holts Wharf, was called.
He identified Lai Lai as a ship's
tallyman, representing the ship's
company on board the ship. He was
in charge of the tallymen at the
hatches. Three of the tally sheets pur-
ported to have been signed by a man
who was not in the employ of the
company. These tally sheets have
no entry of the goods reported
missing. These goods were not
entered.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

ORDER OF CEREMONIAL.

The Sixth Congregation of the
University of Hongkong, for the pur-
pose of conferring degrees, will be
held at the University to-morrow
afternoon.

The activities of the afternoon will
begin at 3.30, when H.E. the Govern-
or will declare the new tennis courts
in the University Grounds open, after
which an exhibition game will be
played.

From 4 until 4.45 p.m., tea will be
served to the guests in the Union
Building.
At 5 p.m., a procession, including
members of the Court, Council,
Senate and Staff of the University
will enter the Great Hall. After the
Governor, as Chancellor of the
University, has taken his seat and
declared the Congregation open, the
University Anthem will be played by
the Band of the 2nd Battalion of the
Wiltshires.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor will
then deliver the Congregation ad-
dress, and the graduates in Medicine,
Engineering, and Arts, will be pre-
sented by the Deans of their Facul-
ties. Following this, the Chancellor
will declare the Congregation closed,
and the procession will return to the
Vice-Chancellor's room.

Following is the list of graduates:
Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine
and Bachelor of Surgery.—Fok Wing
Kan, Chen Ah Po, Ip Kam Wa, Li
Ping Sum, Phoon Seck Weng, and
Wang Chen Tsai (in absentia).
Degree of Bachelor of Science
(Engineering).—Cheung Him, Lee
Chung Chee, Lui Sun Lu, Man Shu
Sing, Tsi Sung James King, Yung
Kwai Chiu, Yu Shui Chiu, Chung
Wing Ching (in absentia), Fung Tsung
Fu (in absentia), Lo Kun Un (in ab-
sentia), and Sung Zui Yoen (in ab-
sentia).
Degree of Bachelor of Arts.—Chan
Chun Him, Chan Kwan Po, Wong To
On, Huang Tak Sie (in absentia),
Yung King Tsun (in absentia), and
William Thomas (in absentia).

DISHONEST COOLIE SHOT.

EARLY MORNING CRASH.

MAGISTRATE DISBELIEVES INGENIOUS STORY.

Before Magistrate Orme this morn-
ing a Chinese employed as a coolie
in the electrical department of the
Naval Dockyard was charged with
having entered house No. 69, Queen's
Road East at 5 a.m., on January 12,
for an unlawful purpose.

Lance Sergeant O'Connor said that
he and another European Sergeant
were on patrol duty on the morning
in question. They saw the accused
sliding down the drain pipe in front
of the house. When the accused
saw them, he ran away. Chase
was given, but as the accused
ignored all warnings, witness fired a
shot over his head. As accused
still refused to stop, a second shot
was fired. This struck the accused
on the back of the neck. He collaps-
ed, and was removed to the station
and thence to hospital.

The accused admitted sliding down
the drain pipe, but denied felonious
intent. He was going to work, he
said, when a ricksha ran over his foot.
Very angry, he took off one of his
shoes, and threw it at the
coolie who ducked, with the result
that the shoe went over his head,
and struck a signboard outside house
No. 69, where it stuck. Witness
knocked at the door of the house to
ask permission to recover his shoe,
but received no reply. Accordingly
he climbed up the drain pipe to get
back the shoe.

Inspector Kent said that the ac-
cused gave him the same story when
he was brought to the station. A
Chinese constable was sent out, but
he could not find any shoe on the
signboard. Unless the shoe had glue
on it, said the Inspector, he did not
see how it could stick to the sign-
board as the accused alleged.

The Magistrate: That excuse
does not appeal to me. I have tried
it on at school myself, and it always
failed. Perhaps the accused had
some other motive. He may have
been after some young ladies.—
(Laughter.)

Convincing the accused, the Magis-
trate said that in view of the damage
he had suffered, he would be dealt
with leniently and be sentenced to
21 days' hard labour.

The accused has a previous con-
viction recorded against him.

AMUSEMENT VENTURE.

NEW HONGKONG COMPANY.

INTERESTS AMALGAMATED.

Announcement is made of the pro-
posed organization of a corporation,
to be known as Hongkong Amuse-
ments, Limited, to take over the
Coronet Theatre, the Eastern Theatre
on Queen's Road East, the projected
Kowloon Theatre, together with three
theatres in Canton, and interests in
Macao. Mr. H. W. Ray and Mr. M.
W. Stevens, at the head of these
various projects, will retain the prin-
cipal interest in the new corporation.
Associated with them will be Messrs.
J. H. Gardner, F. T. Wheeler, J. M.
Noronha, and Lo Kan.

The new corporation will take over
all the interests of Mr. Ray and Mr.
Stevens, in the amusement business
in the Colony and China. It is ex-
pected that it will be operating seven
or eight theatres in Hongkong, Kow-
loon, and Canton within the next
few months.

The share capital is to be \$200,000,
and will be divided into 16,000
shares of \$10 each and 8,000
of \$5 each. The latter will be
issued, paid up, to Mr. Ray and Mr.
Stevens, 6,000 shares to the former
and 2,000 to the latter, in considera-
tion for the lease of the Coronet, the
rental of the Eastern, and the
furniture, musical instruments, and
other assets.

NEW SOLICITOR.

MR. MAURICE MURRAY WATSON.

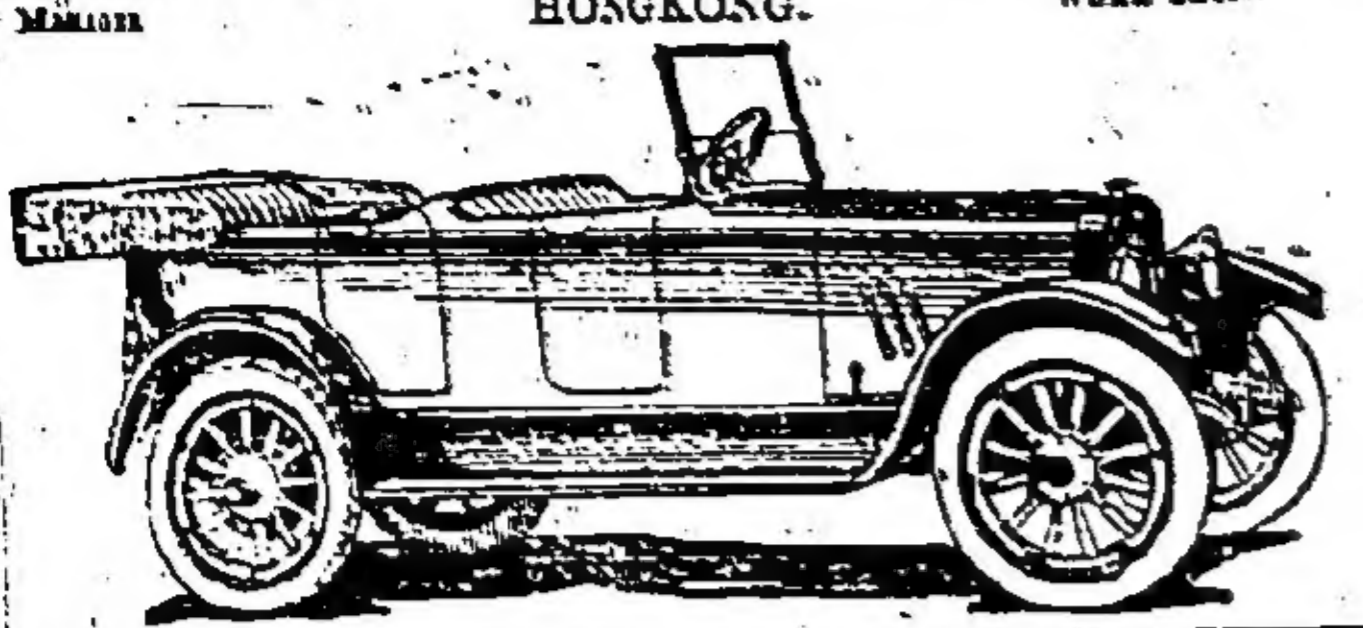
ADMITTED TO PRACTICE.

In the Supreme Court this morn-
ing, before the Acting Chief Justice,
Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Hon. Mr.
J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., Ator-
ney-General, moved the admission of
Mr. Maurice Murray Watson as a
Solicitor for practice in the Colony.

Mr. Kemp, in presenting Mr.
Watson, said that he had been articled
in November, 1910, and had been
connected with a law firm in London
for four years. He had then joined
the army. At the conclusion of the
war he was demobilized, and was
admitted as a solicitor in December,
1919. He believed that he had com-
plied with all requirements, except
that he had not given the customary
four months' notice to the Law Society
and the Registrar. It was his under-
standing that both had waived this
requirement. The only exemption he
asked was that they be waived by
His Lordship.

Addressing Mr. Watson, His Lord-
ship said: I have much pleasure in
approving, admitting, and enrolling
you as a Solicitor. I trust your pro-
fessional career in the Colony will be
pleasant and profitable.

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HONGKONG.



TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARIS CONFERENCE.

GERMANY AGREES TO PAY FIVE ANNUAL INSTALMENTS.
DISARMAMENTS COMPROMISE.

PARIS, January 26.

The conference discussed the preliminaries to the reparations question. M. Doumer, the French Finance Minister, read a long statement the contents of which were not divulged.

Mr. Lloyd George lunched with M. Briand. Reparations were discussed.

M. Doumer's statement dealt principally with Germany's debt to France. He pointed out that the French budget in 1921 provides 15,000 million francs for the reconstruction of the devastated regions and the payment of war pensions which must be recovered from Germany in order to restore the financial equilibrium. Mr. Lloyd George appeared to be greatly interested in the statement and frequently questioned M. Doumer.

BERLIN, January 26.

A communique as regards reparations, shows that Germany agrees to the Allied scheme for five annual instalments and desires the discussions for settling the total debt to be held as soon as possible instead of on the expiry of the five years.

MILITARY EXPERTS' AGREEMENT.

PARIS, January 26.

Reuter is informed that the military experts' agreement cabled yesterday is in the nature of a compromise generally. It provides that the Germans must carry out all disarmament provisions and hand over everything by July 1, while two thirds must be completed by March 15. The question of the various volunteer formations was not separately dealt with. Germany will be acquainted when the Council gives its decision either by protocol or by note.

NEW STATES LEGALLY RECOGNISED.

PARIS, January 26.

An afternoon communique states that the conference decided immediately to grant legal recognition to Estonia and Lettonia. The question of recognition of Lithuania was sympathetically viewed, but decision deferred pending the settlement of the Vilna question by the League of Nations. The conference entirely favoured legal recognition of Georgia if the latter prefers a request to the conference to reach a decision. The military experts report to-morrow.

BRITISH PREMIER'S QUERIES.

PARIS, January 27.

M. Doumer's statement placed the reparations due to the Allies from Germany at 212 milliards of gold marks excluding the interest and payments already made. France required 110 milliards of this amount. Mr. Lloyd George queried the figures and several points and requested M. Doumer to supplement documents to-day. In the meantime the British who are apparently adhering to the figures decided upon at the Boulogne conference are supported in this connection, as well as regards the immediate determination of the total indemnity, by Belgium. France, however, appears to be willing to accept the British figure only conditionally on receiving additional concessions involving priorities and cancellation of inter-Allied debts.

It is hoped that disarmament will finally be disposed of to-day on the basis of the experts' report which recommends *inter alia* extending the area of occupation and prolonging the period of the Rhineland occupation as non-fulfilment penalties.

GERMANY'S INDUSTRIAL IMPROVEMENT.

LONDON, January 27.

Aprons of the Paris discussions, the Department of Overseas Trade publishes a report on the industrial and economic situation in Germany prepared by Mr. Thelwell, Commercial Secretary to the British Embassy in Berlin, giving striking evidence of improvements in all departments of life except State finance and expressing the opinion however, that the danger of bankruptcy is not likely to materialise. The report pays a tribute to the characteristic skill with which the industrial leaders have not only survived the most trying times but made good business out of them and paid substantial dividends. The principal features of last year's industrial activity were co-operation with foreign groups and combines within the country, particularly in iron, steel, coal, and chemicals.

DIPLOMAT DEAD.

LONDON, January 26.

The death is announced of Sir George Barclay, K.S.I.C., H.M. Minister at Bucharest since 1912. [Sir George Barclay was first Secretary of the Legation at Tokyo from 1902 to 1905.]

PANAMA CANAL ZONE DEFENCE.

WASHINGTON, January 27.

Mr. Leveque, Panama charge d'affaires, has lodged a protest with the State Department against the seizure of Panama territory for the defence of the canal zone on the ground that Panama should have been consulted.

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF.

SALVATION ARMY LEADER APPEALS FOR £10,000.

LONDON, January 27.

General Bramwell Booth has sent a letter to the *Daily Telegraph* appealing for at least £10,000 for immediate relief in the famine area in China.

CALCUTTA TAXI STRIKE ENDED.

CALCUTTA, January 27.

The taxi strike has been ended. The men's demands have been conceded pending arbitration.

UNLICENSED JAPANESE IN AUSTRALIA.

SYDNEY, January 27.

A hundred unlicensed Japanese were discovered at Broome. The recent rioters at Broome have been conveyed to Thursday Island to await deportation by a Japanese vessel.

HOME TRADE.

MANCHESTER MARKET.

LATEST WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Huxton & Co., Ltd., Manchester, manufacturers and exporters of all kinds of piece goods to India, China, &c., reported on Dec. 15:

The course of cotton prices has continued very uncertain and fluctuations have again been frequent. The underdone has been easy however, after a stronger tendency at the beginning of the week; and the publication of the preliminary final estimate of the American crop by the Agricultural Bureau led to a renewal of heavy liquidation and reduced values. The actual estimate is 12,987,000 bales exclusive of linters. The latest National Ginners' Association report gives 10,144,000 bales ginned up to Dec. 1 which is very much as expected and compares with 9,844,000 last year and 9,571,000 in 1918. The disastrous low rates at which growers have had to sell their cotton crops this season has naturally caused considerable consternation to them as the crops have undoubtedly been the most expensive to produce on record, and prices have been quite unprofitable. The result is a very strong movement everywhere to substantially reduce the acreage for the next crop and the Egyptian Government have actually decided to make a reduction of one third. In America an even heavier reduction is proposed and the outlook for next season's supply, when the Continent may be expected to consume something nearer their normal amount, is decidedly serious. If prices should be restored to a profitable level before the planting season, there is of course a probability that growers will not act so drastically as seems likely at present, especially as the price of almost all other produce has fallen to the same extent as cotton. There is again no improvement to report in the yarn and cloth sections, for although the latest reports state that goods are going into consumption better in some overseas outlets, the movement has not apparently yet been sufficient to warrant replacements being made. The fall in silver and the Eastern exchanges is no doubt responsible for a falling off in demand, and even offers from Calcutta seem to be entirely absent. We are in fact still experiencing extremely stagnant trade, but in so far as it allows time for the disposal of the dearer goods, it cannot be regarded as altogether bad. The Egyptian section of the spinning industry have decided to work short time for another month. Quotations, which are barely changed, are seldom tested with offers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One fatal case of diphtheria Chinese, was reported yesterday.

The Diocesan Boys' School prize giving takes place to-day, at 5.15 p.m., not to-morrow as originally announced.

To-morrow night (January 28) when the Dockyard Ball will be held at the City Hall, the motor regulations after midnight will be removed by the order of the C.S.P.

Rev. A. J. Fisher D.D. and family left on a well-earned furlough on Tuesday. Rev. Dr. Fisher has been in mission work for 20 years, being the popular pastor at Sheklung.

This is what Winston Churchill said ten years ago about the warnings of Lord Roberts: "We live in a period of superficial alarms, when it is thought patriotic and statesmanlike, far-seeing, clever and Bismarckian to predict hideous and dreadful wars as imminent. I don't believe all this nightmare nonsense at all. There is no real antagonism of interests between Great Britain and Germany."

Early this morning, the Fire Brigade received a call to No. 77, Praya East, premises occupied by the Tsai Hing Cheung shop of rattan furniture makers. The engines arrived ten minutes after the alarm had been given to find the ground floor well ablaze. Hoses were at once played on the flames, and after a strenuous fight the firemen managed to save the other floors and eventually extinguish the fire, but not before the major portion of property stored on the ground floor had been destroyed. The extent of the damage done has not yet been ascertained, but the shop is insured to the extent of \$3,000 with the South British and the Tung On Insurance Companies.

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OFFICERS AND ENGINEERS.

LATEST CHANGES.

The following changes are recorded in the latest issue of *Shipping and Engineering*:

Captain J. Meathrel, of the "Ngankin," is on leave.

Captain G. D. Mills, of the "Chungking," has gone master.

Captain J. Legge, from leave, has gone master, "Chungking."

Mr. A. Buchanan, chief engineer, "Chihli," is on leave.

Mr. G. Cormack, chief engineer, "Chekiang," is on reserve.

Mr. H. M. Hall, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Chekiang."

Mr. J. H. Davey has been appointed superintending second officer, "Hopsang."

Mr. H. Graig, superintending second officer, "Hopsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Rennie, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Tuckwo."

Mr. T. T. Milne, third engineer, "Tuckwo," is on leave.

Mr. A. Sharp, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Toonan."

Mr. W. Lenton, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Hsinming."

Mr. R. A. Young, chief officer, "Nancy Moller," is on leave.

Mr. J. V. Morgan, chief engineer, "Nancy Moller," has signed off.

PACIFIC MAIL LINE.

EAST INDIA SERVICE.

THREE MORE SHIPS.

The agents of the Pacific Mail Service have received advice from the head office stating that the Manila-East India Service will be supplemented by three more passenger steamers.

It is now definitely known that the Creole State will sail from San Francisco on January 26 followed by the Wolverine State on February 26. The third steamer will most probably leave San Francisco on March 25. These steamers are 502 feet long, maintain a speed of 13½ knots and have a deadweight capacity of 13,000 tons. The accommodation is for 84 first-class passengers. No other classes are taken.

The ships will be operated on a regular schedule from San Francisco via Honolulu, Manila, Saigon, Singapore, Colombo to Calcutta and return.

The Santa Cruz and Colusa now being used for this line, are at present completing their final voyages and will be employed on the San Francisco-South American trade. Yet another ship is being built for the Service. She is named the Golden State and is 535 feet long. She will be run on the San Francisco-Hongkong Line. Passengers desirous of obtaining accommodation on this ship can do so from Hongkong.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered on and after February 3rd, 1921, will be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC., Agents for Div. of Opr. U. S.

Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corp., Hongkong, January 27, 1921.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

BILLIARDS.

HO KONG TONG CUPS.

PLAYING at the PALACE HOTEL, last night F. E. Alderman, (1-0) beat R. Nicholls, (2-5) 250-224. The best breaks were—Alderman, 23, 20, 13, 17, 16 and 15. Nicholls 15. J. Parkes, (2-0) defeated P. Heathcote, (2-0) 250-124. Best breaks: Parkes 47, 38, 33, 25, 18, 15 & 16. Heathcote 20, 21, 18, 16, 15 & 13.

TO-NIGHT'S GAMES.

8 p.m.
H. HARRIS, (1-25) Vs C. P. CAYE, (1-23)
9 p.m.
P. SILVA, (2-00) Vs B. HARRIS, (2-50)

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 31st day of January, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres, Roods, and Perches	Annual Rent	Upset Price
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"TAKADA"	7,000	15th Feb.	Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.

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R. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KANOWA"	7,000	15th Feb.	Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.
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"JAPAN"	6,000	15th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai and Kobe.
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TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 18th Feb., at 11 a.m.

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BOMBAY MARU ... Monday, 31st January.

MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 2nd Feb., at 11 a.m.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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MARITIME LABOUR CONDITIONS.

BRUSSELS, January 26th.
At the International Shipping Conference, the President, M. Albert Thomas, who is a director of the International Labour Office of the League of Nations, in a speech, emphasised the necessity of reaching an agreement for all sea-workers. He declared that mercantile officers should share in the benefits obtained, and said that if the conference succeeded in settling the main lines of maritime labour, an agreement based on them should be arranged as soon as possible by all nations in the form of joint conventions and laws.

U.S. IMMIGRATION.

WASHINGTON, January 26th.
Mr. Caminetti, Commissioner-General of Immigration, who recently returned from Europe, told the Senate Immigration Committee that the United States should co-operate with foreign nations to prevent the sailing of aliens inadmissible in the United States. He declared that European countries would unanimously agree to help to prevent undesirable alien emigration from the United States. He believed that their effective co-operation was possible.

M.C.C. TOUR.

HAMILTON, January 26th.
In a two-day match here, the M.C.C. made 329, Hobbs contributing 74 and Woolley 57. Hamilton played sixteen men and in the first innings made 98 and in the second 169 for 13 wickets. The match was drawn.

INTERNATIONAL MINERS' CONFERENCE.

LONDON, January 26th.
The International Miners' Conference in London passed a resolution calling on the International Labour Office to establish an International Control Board to share and exchange all raw materials indispensable for the restoration of all countries, also calling on the miners of every country to suppress overtime.

IRELAND.

LONDON, January 26th.
General Strickland's view that ambulances are proving a failure is confirmed by the fact of an attack on a police lorry near the Law Courts in Dublin, last night. Bombs were thrown and fell behind the car. A fusillade by a group of persons on the quayside had no effect. Another police lorry across the river intervened and poured a volley into the fleeing civilians of whom a number are believed to have been killed. Those badly wounded were carried through the labyrinth of the lanes adjoining the quay, men armed with revolvers keeping off spectators trying to follow them. Both the lorries returned to the depot unscathed.

INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE.

LONDON, January 26th.
The appointment of an Austrian Committee by the Conference is hailed with the liveliest satisfaction in London, and it is regarded that it is likely to lead to a speedy settlement of the most pressing problems of the day, since the commissioners have already covered much ground. It is understood that the committee has been requested to tackle its task on the broadest basis and not to limit Austria's neighbours from its calculations.

As regards Greece, although the delegates unanimously desired to maintain the status quo, it was decided not to recognise King Constantine and deal only with the Government.
In consequence of several recently changed factors, the Turkish policy presents a possibility of variation and it is now practically certain that the Turkish Treaty will be modified, one of the most prominent proposals being the transformation of the Greek zone of occupation to a zone of economic interest under the sovereignty of the Sultan and the removal of the Greek troops.

PARIS, January 26th.
The reparations question comes up to-day. It is estimated that Germany has already paid the Allies over 9,000 million gold marks, but the Allied advances to Germany, the cost of the armaments occupation and the value of property, namely 2,500 millions gold marks, is deducted from it. Furthermore, a paradoxical situation exists of the Allies having advanced 945 millions gold marks to Germany.
Certain experts consider the simple solution of the finances of Austria by handing them over directly to the League of Nations.

The Petit Parisien declares that Mr. Lloyd George warmly supported the proposal of Marshal Foch on the subject of disarmament.

FILM INDUSTRY.

"WILD-CAT" COMPANIES.

AMERICAN PUBLIC-FLEECED.

Worthless film company stocks mounting to over £62,000,000 have been offered to the American public during the last 12 months, according to the vigilance committee of the National Association of the Kinema Industry.

The committee investigated altogether 70 "wildcat" companies, only two or three, of which it states, showed any assets or proved to have any earning capacity. Less than half a dozen had officials with any experience of business.

Over £10,000,000 worth of these shares have actually been taken up by members of the public, mainly clerks, waitresses, typists, and small tradesmen.

SPORT.

SERVICES FOOTBALL.

"AMBROSE" V. WILTS.

These two teams met at Sookumpoo Valley yesterday afternoon, when a keen struggle resulted in a win for the Sailors by the odd goal in 3. The Wilts, held a new side, only two of their regular players turning out. The "Ambrose" attacked from the opening whistle, and rushing the ball down the field, scored before the game had been three minutes old. From the centre, the Wilts visited enemy territory and Realist equalised by heading into the net from a *meles* in front of goal. Immediately after the centre, the Wilts, returned to the attack and Ball scored, but the referee ruled him off-side and did not allow the goal. The Sailors took the offensive after this, and paying a flying visit to Wilts' territory, Knight beat the goalie and put his side one up. Corners became frequent after this. In the scrum which followed one of these, Maslin attempted to deflect a swift pass from Monkhouse, but missed his kick, and turned the ball into his own net for the Sailors' third goal. Half time arrived with the Sailors leading by three goals to one.

The Sailors set up a terrific pace at the resumption and attacked with determination, but the defence was equal to the situation, and the ball travelled up and down the field with great rapidity. After missing one good opening through kicking the ball against the upright, the S.iders returned to the attack, forcing a corner. From the well placed kick, Realist scored his side's second goal. The attack was so hot at this juncture, that the Sailors attempted to check it by playing the one back game. In spite of this, however, the Soldiers got through several times, and it was hard luck which prevented them from scoring again. The final whistle came with the Sailors victors by 3 goals to 2.

SCHOOLS' LEAGUE.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES.

The Hongkong Schools' Football League having concluded its season, the presentation of trophies to the winners of the Senior, Intermediate and Junior divisions took place on the Queen's College ground, Causeway Bay, yesterday afternoon, preceded by two exhibition games—Wanchai School (winners of the Junior division) v. St. Joseph's College II (winners of the Intermediate division); and St. Joseph's College I (winners of the Senior division) v. The Rest.

There was a good gathering of the teachers and pupils of the various schools present to watch the games, both of which were very keenly contested.

The Wanchai v. St. Joseph's match proved to be a very hard battle. Wanchai gave a good account of themselves throughout the match, ultimately running out winners by two goals to one.

The other match proved to be a walk-over for the well balanced St. Joseph's team. The Rest lacked combination throughout the match, and were easily beaten by four goals to nil.

Mr. Clements was the referee in both matches. The thanks of the Schools' League are due to him for the efficient services he has rendered as official referee throughout the competitions.

In a short address, before inviting the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak to present the prizes, Mr. E. G. Stewart, the League Secretary, said he had closely watched football for four years, and noticed that the standard had gone up considerably. St. Joseph's College were the winners of the Senior Division with seven wins and only one loss. The honours in the Junior and Intermediate Divisions were secured by Wanchai School and St. Joseph's College respectively. Mr. Stewart thanked the Committee of the Hongkong Club for having presented the Cup for the Intermediate Division, the Sports Master of Queen's College for the loan of the ground, and the Hon. Mr. Holyoak for his presence.

Endorsing Mr. Stewart's remarks arent the great improvement made in football, the Hon. Mr. Holyoak said that he had seen football on many occasions, and when he returned to the Colony last year he was struck by the high standard of play, especially that of the Chinese as shown in the matches played by the South China Athletic Association. He had one criticism to make at that time and that criticism still held good. It was the slowness of the Chinese players when carrying the ball near the goal mouth. They should kick immediately instead of allowing the goal-keeper to grab the ball. On the whole the standard of play was exceedingly high in Hongkong, and he only wished that the form of local Chinese schools could be compared with schools at home.

Mr. Holyoak then handed the shield to St. Joseph's team, and cups to the winners in the Junior and Intermediate Divisions. All the players of the winning teams were presented with gold medals. St. Joseph's College have been the winners of the shield for three successive years and seven times altogether.

The proceedings terminated with cheers for Mr. Holyoak and the different schools.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The following are the final positions in the Senior, Intermediate and Junior divisions of the Hongkong Schools' Football League:

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
St. Joseph's	8	7	1	0	23	5	14
St. Paul's	8	5	2	1	11	3	11
Queen's	8	5	3	0	16	7	10
St. Stephen's	8	2	5	1	5	17	5
Diocesan	8	0	8	0	2	25	0

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
St. Joseph's II	6	6	0	0	28	3	12
Queen's II	6	3	3	0	10	8	6
St. Paul's II	6	3	3	0	11	12	6
St. Stephen's II	6	0	6	0	3	29	0

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Wanchai	8	8	0	0	35	0	16
Yau-mat	8	6	1	1	23	6	13
Anglo-Indian	8	5	3	0	23	11	10
St. Joseph's Jr.	8	5	3	0	22	12	10
St. Paul's Jr.	8	4	4	0	19	9	8
Ellis Kadoorie	8	3	5	0	7	18	6
Saiyung	8	3	5	0	5	25	6
Queen's Jr.	8	1	6	1	3	19	3
Ying Wa	8	0	8	0	0	37	0

KOWLOON F. C. TEAMS.

The following teams will represent the Kowloon Football Club in their League engagements on Saturday, January 29—
1st Div. XI v. R.G.A. on Navy "B" ground. Kick-off 4 p.m.—W. Crocker; F. Wheeler, T. L. Knight; J. Coupland; J. Mair, B. Pasco; W. Taylor, C. E. Millard; R. E. Townsend; F. Evelyn, and P. R. Beasley.
2nd Div. XI v. Club de Recreo on St. Joseph's ground. Kick-off 4 p.m.—H. McKay; K. Mason, S. Adams; R. Roberts, S. H. Hewer, A. Spary; E. Donovan, A. Palmer, J. Coombs, A. Estorff, and H. Blythe.

CHARITY MATCH.

A match is being arranged in aid of the Famine Relief Funds, to take place on February, 9. It will in all probability take the form of a return match, South China versus The Rest of the Colony. On the last occasion the Chinese won, so that great interest will be evinced in this fixture.

CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE v. STAFF AND DEPTS.

The following will represent the Service in their League match at home, on Saturday, at 2.15 p.m.—G. R. Sayer (Captain), E. B. Reid, R. C. Whitell, H. E. Strang, F. J. Ling, E. W. Hamilton, F. J. de Rome, Claud Sevens, A. R. Sutherland, H. F. Bevan and E. W. Fincher.

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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

WAR CRIMINALS.

GERMAN MINISTER'S STATEMENT EVOKES UPROAR.

SCENE IN REICHSTAG.

BERLIN, January 26.

The position with regard to German war criminals was explained by the Minister of Justice in a statement which evoked uproarious dissent. The Minister left when he had concluded his speech, declaring that the German authorities had done everything to satisfy the demands of justice but could not convict anyone whose guilt was not clearly proven. The Minister said that there were three categories of war criminals. Firstly, there were those indicted by the Imperial Court not in connection with the Allies' demand for surrender, secondly, there was the Estate's list of 900 presented at the beginning of 1920; and thirdly, there were 45 in which judgment was left to the Imperial Court by foreign States. The cases in the last category had been thoroughly examined. Those submitted by Italy, Serbia, and Rumania, were not finished. Those submitted by Belgium and France had been partially disposed of. A case submitted by England had been recently settled, whereupon the British prosecutor had said that the list of cases to be submitted was in no way exhausted. The British, French, and Belgian Governments had been requested to permit a representative of the Imperial prosecutor to go to London, Paris, and Brussels to explain the difficulties of the prosecution. Permission from Britain had been received and a delegate was going to London next week.

SWEDEN'S CONSTITUTION AMENDED.

STOCKHOLM, January 26.

Both Chambers of the Riksdag have ratified the amendments to the constitution extending the franchise to men and women irrespective of previous restrictions affecting those who did not pay taxes. Women now become eligible for the Riksdag. One common election day has been arranged. The Riksdag, instead of the King, will henceforth elect the presidents and vice-presidents.

BRITISH TRADE ENTERPRISE.

A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, January 26.

A British Empire Chamber of Commerce in the United States has been constituted. An Advisory committee has been appointed and a charter has already been obtained. All the Dominions will be represented in the new institution, which is to start work immediately. It is hoped to establish branches throughout the United States.

NEW YORK, January 27.

The British Empire Chamber of Commerce in the United States has been inaugurated.

MR. COLBY RETURNS.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, January 26.

Mr. Colby has returned from South America.

AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING STRIKE.

SHIPOWNERS' TURN TO MAKE CONDITIONS.

MELBOURNE, January 26.

Although the marine stewards have called off the strike the shipowners have resolved not to resume services until the seamen and the maritime unions have guaranteed uninterrupted work under the existing agreements.

DUTCH ORDER SUBMARINE ENGINES FROM GERMANY.

BERLIN, January 26.

The Boersen Zeitung reprints from a Dutch newspaper reports that the Netherlands Government has ordered twelve submarine engines from the Augsburg factory. If the latter undertake the work it will apparently contravene the Versailles Treaty.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK.

BRITAIN MUST FACE GREAT AND INCREASING COMPETITION.

GERMANY'S RETURN.

LONDON, January 26.

Mr. Frederick Goodenough, presiding at a meeting of the shareholders of Barclays Bank, pointed out that most manufacturers were carrying abnormal stock. At present the stocks in the cotton industry were valued at £50,000,000 or £50,000,000 above the usual supplies. He ascribed this to a lack of purchasing power abroad and said that it foreshadowed that Britain would necessarily have to face great and increasing competition owing to restricted markets and to Germany and other countries producing again. He drew attention to the anxiety as regards German competition owing to the internal exceeding the external value of the mark. As long as this was obtained Germany would have a hold on the world's markets. He believed that Britain owing to her unique knowledge and experience must take the lead in re-opening the trade of Europe which was essential to our industrial recovery.

BURDEN OF TAXATION.

He suggested that it might pay us to make concessions in respect of debts owing to us by Allied Governments provided our own ability to pay was unimpaired. The Chairman of the Bank of Liverpool, Mr. Martins, at the annual meeting pointed out that a similar demand as in England, for credit obtained in the United States. He expressed the opinion that the high bank rate had now done its work and hoped it would soon be possible to reduce it. He pointed out that the Government had repaid a considerable amount of the home and foreign debt through internal taxation which helped to maintain credit abroad. He hoped consequently that the Chancellor would lighten the burden of taxation in this period of commercial depression.

MORE INDIAN TROUBLES.

CONSTABLE KILLED IN FURTHER AGRARIAN RIOTS.

UNEXPECTED COURT DENOUCEMENT.

ALLAHABAD, January 26.

Further agrarian riots took place in the Raibareilly district in the United Provinces. A mob attacked a police guard. One constable was killed and two seriously wounded. The police were compelled to fire and some of the rioters were slightly wounded. The ringleaders were arrested and order was restored.

BOMBAY, January 26.

An unexpected denouement occurred when seventeen arrested persons were brought up at the police court, the Commissioner of Police instructing that the case be withdrawn on the grounds of previous good relations between the police and the community to which the majority of the arrested persons, who were Hindu Banias, belonged. The magistrate, in dismissing the case, paid a tribute to the Commissioner's foresight and tact. The stock exchange and bullion and cotton markets have reopened.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

MISUNDERSTANDINGS AVOIDABLE DECLARES ADMIRAL SIMS.

ATTITUDE TO SINN FEIN.

BOSTON, January 26.

Admiral Sims, addressing a loyal coalition mass meeting, declared that it was inconceivable how the American Irish could support the Sinn Feiners who were implacable enemies of America. During the war Sinn Fein activities necessitated a diversion of vessels from conveying troops and merchantmen with the result that many Americans were drowned. If British and American difficulties were approached in a friendly spirit there need not be any misunderstanding.

BRITAIN'S BIRTH RATE.

DEATHS IN 1920 THE LOWEST ON RECORD.

LONDON, January 26.

The Registrar General states that the birth rate in England and Wales in 1920 was 25.44 per thousand, and the death rate 12.4 per thousand. Deaths of children under one year were 80 per thousand. The birth rate was the highest for a decade and the death rate and infant mortality rate the lowest on record. The number of births was the highest on record and deaths the lowest since 1862, when the population was only 20,000.

DUTCH MINISTER AT ATHENS DEAD.

ATHENS, January 26.

The death has taken place here of the Dutch Minister, Myndert Desturien. Influenza was the cause of death.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS BANQUET.

PARIS, January 27.

M. Millerand gave a banquet to the diplomatic corps.

FRENCH REVENUE INCREASES.

BIG EXCESS OF IMPORTS OVER EXPORTS REMAINS.

PARIS, January 26.

The revenue returns show an increase in French exports last year of 10,355 million francs, compared with the previous year. The commercial balance has improved by 102 billion francs, but a deficit of 13 billion remains, representing excess of imports over exports.

VLADIVOSTOCK INQUIRY.

LIEUT. LANGDON SUBJECT TO UNWARRANTED ATTACK.

JAPANESE PROMISES.

WASHINGTON, January 27.

The Japanese reply to the Langdon Note promises a thorough investigation. Admiral Gleaves has informed the Navy Department that the American court of inquiry at Vladivostok has decided that Lieutenant Langdon was subject to an unwarranted attack by a Japanese sentry. General Oi has warned staff officers to instruct sentries to exercise more precautions in future.

SWEDEN'S BIG ARMY OF UNEMPLOYED.

STOCKHOLM, January 26.

There are now 35,000 unemployed persons in Sweden while 40,000 are working on short time.

SPORT.

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

The following is the result of the draw in the billiards championship of the Colony which will be contested at the Victoria Recreation Club. E. Guimaraes meets Ng Tze Kwong on January 31, F. M. Ozorio meets A. G. Pike on February 1 and the winners of these games meet on February 15.

G. Botting meets J. Parkes on February 2; R. F. De Luz meets L. A. Osmond on February 3; Sgt. T. Reeves meets K. Higashide on February 4; S. Gray meets Lee-Correll on February 5; C. F. Vas meets A. J. Osmond on February 10; Ho Shai Cheong meets W. Pitt on February 11; and Leung Kuan Kong meets T. B. Golding on February 14. The winner of the Botting-Parkes match meets A. Tse on February 16, and the winner then meets the winner of the Guimaraes-Ng Tze Kwong and Ozorio-Pike contests on February 17.

The winners of the De Luz-Osmond and Reeves-Higashide contests meet on February 18; the winners of the Gray-Snook and Vas-Osmond contests on February 21, and the winners of the Ho Shai Cheong-Pitt and Leung Kuan Kong-Golding contests on February 22. The semi-finals are to be played on February 23 and 25, and the winners of these games meet on March 2. The finalist is to meet P. Yvanovich, the present holders of the title.

The games in the preliminaries will be 500 up and will start at 8.30 p.m. The semi-final game will be 750 up, and will start at 8.30 p.m. The final game, which will be decided in two sessions at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m., will be 1,000 up.

HO KOM TONG CUPS.

Last night's play at the Palace Hotel in connection with the tournament for the above cups, resulted in F. E. Alderman (-150) beating R. Nicholl (-25) 250-224; and J. Parkes (-200) defeating P. Heathcote (-200) 250-124.

The best breaks were—Alderman, 23, 20, 18, 17, 16 and 15. Parkes, 47, 46, 33, 25, 16 and 15 (twice). Heathcote, 24, 21, 18, 16 and 15 (twice).

TO-NIGHT'S GAMES.

The following games will be played to-night—6 p.m.—L. Hatch (-125) v. C. F. Cave (-125), 9 p.m.—P. Silva (-200) v. B. Harding (-50).

BASKET-BALL.

ASSOCIATION FORMED.

A meeting attended by athletic representatives of the University, Y.M.C.A., South China Athletic Association, Queen's College, St. Paul's College and other organisations, was held at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. last evening to form a Basket-ball Association, to promote the game and supervise leagues. This movement was begun a year ago; contests were held last year in the students' league, the small boys' league and the open league, the American Association being the winners of the open league. The objects of the Association would be to organise these contests. It was decided to form the Association and rules for its conduct were drawn up. Dr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, who presided, was elected President of the Association. The Chairman proposed, and it was carried with acclamation, that His Excellency the Governor be invited to be patron of the Association. Mr. R. E. O. Bird, headmaster of Queen's College, was elected Vice-President and the Bishop of Victoria, the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn, and Sir Robert Ho Tung were appointed Honorary Vice-Presidents. Mr. J. L. McPherson was elected Hon. Treasurer and Mr. Wong Tin Sack (Hongkong University) was appointed Hon. Secretary.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

A LEAGUE MATCH.

A Rifle League match, shot off at Taihang, on January 22, between the Dockyard Recreation Club and the Musketry Staff, resulted as follows—

	200	500	600	Tot.
Mr. Burnett	37	39	42	118
" Nixon	36	35	41	112
" Greig	37	38	37	112
" Reynolds	35	42	34	111
" Croes	41	33	31	105
" Lambert	31	32	32	95
" Gordon	31	32	34	97
" Murphy	33	23	20	76
Total	222			

	200	500	600	Tot.
Mr. McGuigan	40	42	44	126
" Young	41	39	30	110
" King Sater	34	40	29	103
" Brock	43	31	25	99
" Williams	32	34	31	97
" Johnstone	37	30	27	94
" Drew	43	40	10	93
" Longyear	37	35	19	91
Total	213			

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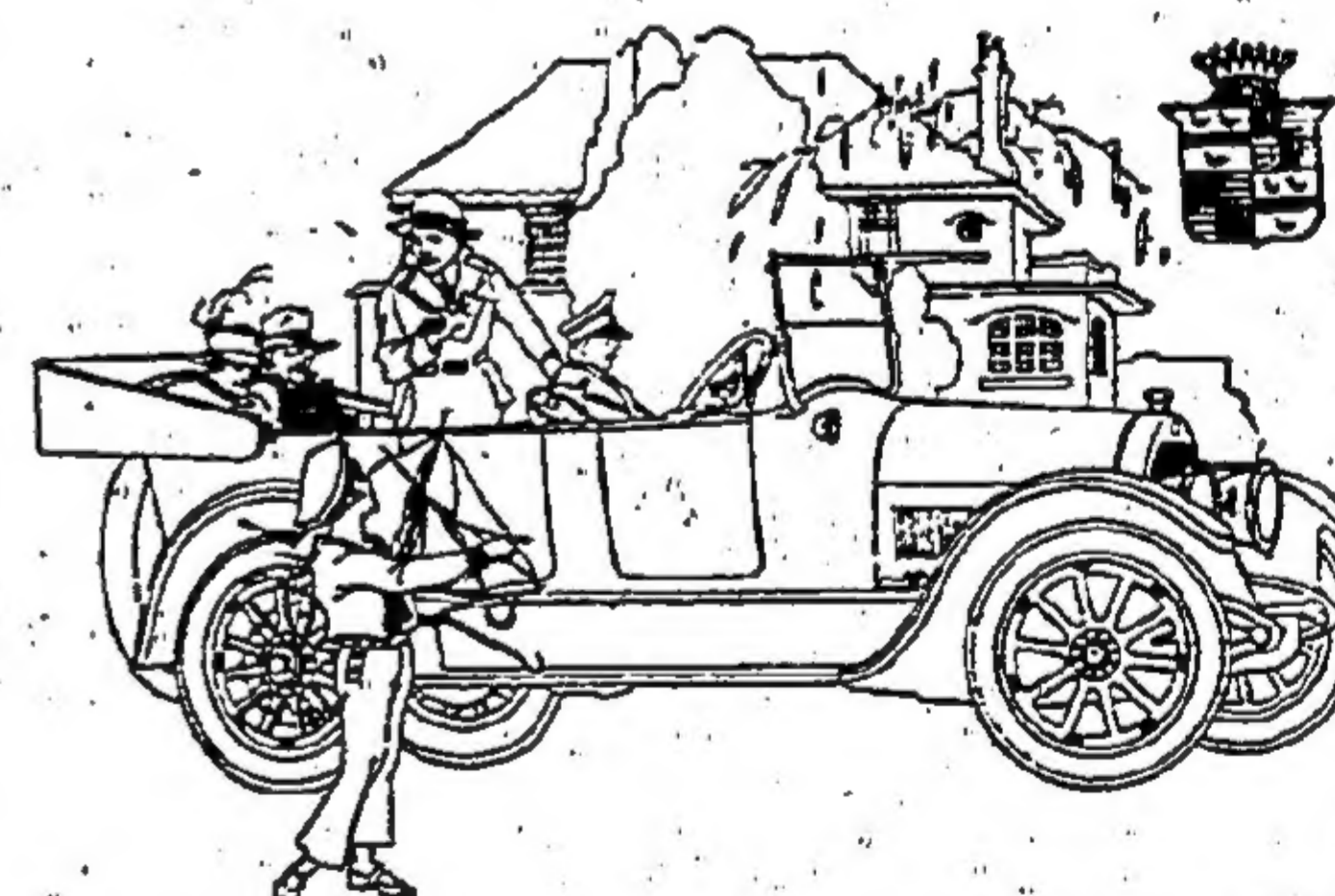
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